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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Takemori Takayama et al.

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For: CONTACT MATERIAL, COMPOSITE

SINTERED CONTACT COMPONENT AND

METHOD OF PRODUCING SAME

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT IN RCE RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Final Office Action dated March 8, 2007, and prior to the initial action in this RCE, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.